

The weekly Marine and Rail Oil Transportation Study meeting is held Thursdays at the Ecology Headquarters building in Lacey and via teleconference. Along with Ecology staff, attendees include military personnel from the [Emergency Management Division](#) (EMD), and staff from Washington [Utility Transportation Commission](#) (UTC). The following is a summary of the **August 28, 2014** discussion:

### **Project Status and Review**

Ecology received the draft interim findings and recommendations report from the consulting team last week. Ecology, UTC, and EMD will be finalize the draft report and present it to the governor Oct. 1. (The report will be publicly circulated **after** it is submitted and approved by Gov. Inslee)

The study team continues to work on agendas for the Sept. 9, 10 and 12 meetings in Tumwater and Spokane. Presentations and other materials are also being developed for each of the meetings.

Public **meetings** (not hearings) are scheduled:

October 21, Lacey, Ecology HQ Building, 6-8 p.m.

October 23, Spokane, Ecology Eastern Region Building, 6-8 p.m.

### **Washington Utility & Transportation Commission Update**

The Federal comment period for the Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA)/Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) through the U.S. Department of Transportation Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) and Advance NPRM on rail safety issues is under way and UTC and ECY continues to work on combining multi-agency comments into one document. The document will go to the Governor September 15.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

- September 9 (Tumwater and Spokane Valley) and September 10 (Tumwater) Study Information Meetings (by invitation only) – expanded expert information gathering meeting
- September 24 – Study presentation and discussion at Washington State Emergency Management Assoc. Conf - Spokane
- September 26 – Study presentation and discussion at Olympic National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council - Aberdeen